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### **Environmental Advisory**

#### **INDUSTRIAL PIPE PERMIT TO BE DISCUSSED AT OPEN HOUSE**

(Baton Rouge) -- Two pending permit applications for the Industrial Pipe solid waste facility located in Plaquemines parish will be discussed at an open house organized by the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). Community members are invited to the Belle Chasse Auditorium located at 8398 Louisiana Highway 23, in Belle Chasse on Thursday, August 21, 2003, from 3:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., to participate in the discussions. DEQ staff will be on hand to review permit requirements and processes.

DEQ Assistant Secretary for Environmental Services, Linda Levy, announced that the discussions planned for the open house will center on the company's pending solid waste permit applications. "The documents for review [at the open house] are not technically complete. They are intended to advance information to the public about the company's operational plan and enable interested parties to adequately provide input to the Agency," she explained. Levy also said the open house will not replace the official public hearing for this facility. "DEQ will hold a public hearing after the technically complete applications have been received, reviewed and placed on public notice," she stated.

Industrial Pipe representatives will also be on hand to answer questions regarding operations currently conducted at and planned for the facility. "DEQ permit writers like to consider as much relevant information as possible in the review and draft process and view the participation of local residents in this open house as a valuable means to achieving that end," expressed Levy.

For more information on permits and to view other public notices visit the DEQ website at [www.deq.state.la.us/permits/index.htm](http://www.deq.state.la.us/permits/index.htm).